

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### **REGION 8**

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**DOCKET NO.: SDWA-08-2006-0063** 

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
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FLYING JOIL & GAS, INC.	)	FINAL ORDER
	)	
	)	
RESPONDENT	)	

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §22.18, of EPA's Consolidated Rules of Practice, the Consent Agreement resolving this matter is hereby approved and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. The Respondent is hereby **ORDERED** to comply with all of the terms of the Consent Agreement, effective immediately upon receipt by Respondents of this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

SO ORDERED THIS Day of Make, 2007.

Elyana R Sutin

Regional Judicial Officer

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In the Matter Of:	)	Docket No. SDWA-08-2006-0063	EPA REGION VIII
Flying J Oil & Gas Inc.,	)	CONSENT AGREEMENT	HEARING CLERK
Respondent.	)		

Complainant, United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 8 (Complainant or EPA), and Respondent, Flying J Oil & Gas Inc. (Respondent), hereby consent and agree as follows:

- 1. On or about September 20, 2006, EPA issued to Respondent a Proposed Order and Penalty Complaint with Notice of Opportunity for Hearing (Complaint) alleging certain disputed violations of Part C of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C § 300h et seq., relating to underground injection controls (UIC).
- 2. Respondent admits that EPA has jurisdiction over the subject matter alleged in the Complaint.
- 3. Respondent waives its right to a hearing before any tribunal with respect to the Complaint or this Consent Agreement.
- 4. This Consent Agreement, upon incorporation into a final order, applies to and is binding upon EPA and Respondent, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and all persons acting under or for Respondent. Any change in ownership or corporate status of Respondent including, but not limited to, any transfer of assets or real or personal property, shall not alter

Respondent's responsibilities under the Consent Agreement. This Consent Agreement contains all terms of the settlement agreed to by the parties.

- 5. Pursuant to SDWA § 1423(c)(4)(B), 42 U.S.C. § 300h-2(c)(4)(B), the nature of the alleged violation, and other relevant factors, EPA determined that an appropriate civil penalty to settle this action is in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- 6. Respondent consents to the issuance of the Consent Agreement, its incorporation into a final consent order and, for the purposes of settlement, to the payment of the civil penalty cited in paragraph no. 5 above.
- 7. Respondent consents and agrees to pay the ten thousand dollar (\$10,000) penalty as follows:
  - a. Payment is due within 30 calendar days from the date written on the Final Consent Order, issued by the Regional Judicial Officer, that adopts this Consent Agreement. If the due date falls on a weekend or legal federal holiday, then the due date becomes the next business day. The date the payment is made is considered to be the date processed by Mellon Bank described below. Payments received by 11:00 AM. EST are processed on the same day, those received after 11:00 AM are processed on the next business day.
  - b. The payment shall be made by remitting by regular mail a cashier's or certified check, including the name and docket number of this case, payable to "Treasurer, United States of America," to:

#### Regular Mail:

Mellon Bank Lockbox 360859 Pittsburgh, PA 15251-6859

#### Federal Express, Airborne, or other commercial carrier:

U.S. EPA, 360859 Mellon Client Service Center Rm 154-0670 500 Ross Street Pittsburgh, PA 15251-6859

#### Wire Transfers:

Wire transfers must be sent directly to the Federal Reserve Bank in New York City with the following information:

ABA = 021030004 TREAS NYC/CTR/ BNF=/AC-68010727

A copy of the check shall be sent simultaneously to:

Amy Swanson Legal Enforcement Program (8ENF-L) U.S. EPA Region 8 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, CO 80202-1129

Tina Artemis Regional Hearing Clerk (8RC) U.S. EPA Region 8 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, CO 80202-1129

- c. In the event payment is not received by the specified due date, interest accrues from the date of the final order, not the due date, at a rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717, and will continue to accrue until payment in full is received. (i.e., on the 1<sup>st</sup> late day, 30 days of interest accrues).
- d. In addition, a handling charge of fifteen dollars (\$15) shall be assessed the 31<sup>st</sup> day from the date of the final consent order, and each subsequent thirty day period that the debt, or any portion thereof, remains unpaid. In addition, a six percent (6%) per annum penalty shall be assessed on any unpaid principal amount if payment is not received within 90 days of the due date (i.e., the 121<sup>st</sup> day from the date the final consent order is signed). Payments are first applied to outstanding handling charges, 6% penalty

- interest, and late interest. The remainder is then applied to the outstanding principal amount.
- e. Respondent agrees that the penalty shall never be claimed as a federal or other tax deduction or credit.
- 8. Complainant has verified that effective June 1, 2006, Respondent elected to use a bond and standby trust agreement as an acceptable financial instrument for the Davis 1-33A1E well, and has resolved the violation alleged in the Complaint of the SDWA, 40 C.F.R. § 144.52(a)(7), and part III(F) of UIC Permit No. UT20881-04555.
- 9. Nothing in this Consent Agreement shall relieve Respondent of its obligation to comply with the SDWA, its implementing regulations and permit conditions.
- 10. Failure by Respondent to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Agreement shall constitute a breach of the Consent Agreement and may result in referral of the matter to the Department of Justice for enforcement of the agreement and for such other relief as may be appropriate.
- 11. Nothing in the Consent Agreement shall be construed as a waiver by EPA or any other federal entity of its authority to seek costs or any appropriate penalty associated with any collection action instituted as a result of Respondent's failure to perform pursuant to the terms of the Consent Agreement.
- 12. Respondent's undersigned representative certifies that he is fully authorized to enter into and bind Respondent to the terms and conditions of the Consent Agreement.
- 13. The Parties agree to submit this Consent Agreement to the Regional Judicial Officer, with a request that it be incorporated into a final consent order.
  - 14. Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys fees related to this matter.

15. This Consent Agreement, upon incorporation into a final consent order by the Regional Judicial Officer and upon full satisfaction by the parties, shall constitute a complete and full civil settlement of the specific violations alleged in the Complaint.

#### SO CONSENTED AND AGREED TO:

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8, Complainant.

Date: 3.19.07

By: David J. Janik, Acting Director

Matthew Cohn, Acting Deputy Director

Legal Enforcement Program

Date: 3/16/07

By: Elisabeth Evans

Elisabeth Evans, Director

Technical Enforcement Program

FLYING J OIL & GAS INC., Respondent.

Date: 3/19/2007
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Chris J. Malan

Vice President and General Counsel

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached CONSENT AGREEMENT/FINAL ORDER in the matter of FLYING J OIL & GAS, INC., DOCKET NO.: SDWA-08-2006-0063 was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on March 19, 2007.

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to Amy Swanson, Enforcement Attorney, U. S. EPA – Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-2466. True and correct copies of the aforementioned documents were placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt requested on March 19, 2007, to:

Chris J. Malan, General Counsel Flying J Oil & Gas, Inc. 333 West Center Street North Salt Lake, Utah 84054

#### Hand-delivered to:

Honorable Elyana R. Sutin Regional Judicial Officer U. S. Environmental Protection Agency 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, CO 80202-1129

#### E-mailed to:

Michelle Angel U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati Finance Center 26 W. Martin Luther King Drive (MS-0002) Cincinnati, Ohio 45268 513-487-2063

March 19, 2007

Tina Artemis
Regional Hearing Clerk/Paralegal

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